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H.J. Res. 51. A joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HONDA (for himself, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. NORTON, Ms. Schakowsky, Ms. Judy Chu of Bordallo. California. Ms. Mr.McGovern, Ms. Lee, Ms. Plaskett, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Ms. DELAURO. Ms. MAX-INE WATERS of California, Ms. McCol-LUM, Mr. POLIS, Mr. FARR, Mr. RAN-GEL, and Mr. GRAYSON):

H. Res. 261. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should work with the Government of Nepal to ensure that the unique needs, vulnerabilities, and capacities of women and girls are considered and addressed in efforts to provide humanitarian relief and assistance in reconstruction in the aftermath of the April 25, 2015, earthquake; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. KEATING:

H.R. 2285.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1. Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. COOK:

H.R. 2286.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Sections 8 of the U.S. Constitu-

By Mr. MULVANEY:

H.R. 2287.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1. "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3. "To regulate Commerce . . ."

Article I, Section 8, Clause 14. "To make Rules for the Government . . .

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18. "To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. GOODLATTE:

H.R. 2288.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Property Clause of Article IV, Section 3-The Congress shall have the Power to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulation respecting the Territory or other Property belong to the United States.

By Mr. CONAWAY:

H.R. 2289.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Pursuant to Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3, Congress has the authority to regulate foreign and interstate commerce.

By Mr. CHABOT:

H.R. 2290

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1. Section 8. Clause 3. late Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes '

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 . . . "To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. LARSEN of Washington:

H.R. 2291.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

As described in Article 1, Section 1 "all legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives."

By Mr. OLSON:

H.R. 2292.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1.

By Mr. SMITH of Texas:

H.R. 2293.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3, known as the Commerce Clause, provides Congress with the authority regulate interstate and foreign commerce.

By Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of

New York:

H.R. 2294.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. MACARTHUR:

H.R. 2295.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2, "The Congress shall have power to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to prejudice any claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT:

H.R. 2296.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 (relating to the power of Congress to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States.)

By Mr. ROYCE:

H.R. 2297.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 2298.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1: The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 2299.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1: The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States:

By Mr. TOM PRICE of Georgia:

H.R. 2300.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Consistent with the original understanding of the commerce clause, the authority to enact this legislation is found in Clause 3 of Section 8, Article 1 of the U.S. Constitution. Consistent with Congress's power to tax, the authority to enact this legislation is also found in Clause 1 of Section 8, Article 1 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. CLEAVER:

H.R. 2301.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislatioin is provided by Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States constitution.